## **ELECTRICITY CUSTOMER SALES TAX EXEMPTION FORM**

This exemption is only for electricity customers whose income does NOT exceed \$12,000 per year. Please fill in the blocks below with the information requested.

Customer's Name		Social Security Number	Elec	tric Service Account Number (if known)
Spouse's Name		Social Security Number	Elect	ricity Utility Company and City
Customer's Address: Street	, Apartr	nent Number or Rural Ac	ddress,	P. O. Box, City, State, Zip Code
Write in the blocks below, your income and your spouse's income for last year. Then add your income and your spouse's income and enter the total of both incomes. "Income" means total income from pensions and annuities including social security, Veterans' pension and disability payments (World War I veterans or widows see reverse for additional information), railroad retirement benefits, all public, state, and federal retirement systems; Wages and salaries and income from farm or self-employment; interest, dividends, rent and royalty income; cash public assistance and relief (SSI etc.); income from sales of realty, stocks and bonds; and miscellaneous income such as alimony, support money, workers' compensation, loss of time insurance, etc.  ***********************************				
\$	+	\$	=	\$
INCOME OF CUSTOMER		INCOME OF SPOUSE		TOTAL OF BOTH INCOMES
I agree that the above is a true statement of my income and my spouse's income, to the best of my knowledge, for the prior calendar year; 19				
CUSTOMER'S SIGNATURE				DATE

NOTE: This claim form may be audited by the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration.

SIGN AND DATE THE FORM. EITHER TAKE THE FORM OR MAIL IT TO YOUR ELECTRICITY COMPANY.

Under a new Arkansas law (Act 120 of 1983), residential customers with incomes of \$12,000 or less per year are eligible to claim an exemption from sales tax on the first 500 kilowatt hours of electricity used each month. For customers of Arkansas Power and Light Company, enrollment for the sales tax exemption will automatically exempt them from part of the electricity rate increase due to the Grand Gulf Settlement Agreement.

If your income and your spouse's income together is \$12,000 per year or less and you want to claim the exemption to reduce the cost of your electricity, you must fill out the form on the reverse side and return it to your electricity supplier as soon as possible. If you filled out a form last year and want the exemption to continue without interruption, you must fill out a new form this year and submit it to your electric utility company by March 1.

Please read the instructions below about how to complete the form. If you need additional information or help in completing the forms, please contact your local electricity company or call one of the following toll-free telephone numbers:

Arkansas Public Service Commission Consumer Services 1-800-482-1164

Arkansas Energy Office 1-800-482-1122

## INSTRUCTIONS

The account must be in the name of the customer filing this claim. Only one claim will be accepted for a single electricity account.

Income includes gross income received by the customer and the customer's spouse (if the customer is married) minus allowable deductions for the previous calendar year. However, income does not include gifts from nongovernmental sources, Food Stamp benefits, surplus food or other relief in kind supplied by a government agency.

If you or your spouse is a World War I Veteran or widow of a World War I veteran, income does not include federal or state retirement, disability, pensions, railroad retirement or Social Security benefits.

Customers who have income from farming or self-employment are allowed to deduct from their income necessary and ordinary expenses for their trade or business.

Fill in the blocks in the upper part of the form by entering your name and Social Security Number, your spouse's name and Social Security Number if you are married and living with your spouse, and your address. Also, enter your electricity account number (if known), the name of your electricity company and the city where the company is located.

Enter in the blocks your income for the prior calendar year and the income of your spouse. Do not include income that is not counted or allowable deductions for farming or business. Add together your income and your spouse's income and show the total in the block.